

## **Upcoming Public Review**

In mid-May, the Draft HCP Conservation Strategies, which will form the basis of the HCP, will be made available to the public for review and comment. Interested parties are encouraged to review and comment on draft strategies. Written comments will be due within 45 days of the release of the Draft Strategies.

The purpose of the public review is to identify any areas of concern with the planning process or the draft strategies so that they can be addressed early in the planning process.

## **The Process**

The conservation strategies will be distributed to interested parties. Documents will be available on CD and hardcopy versions will be available by request. To request documents, please send your name, postal address and email address to [dnrchcp@mt.gov](mailto:dnrchcp@mt.gov).

Based on public response, meetings tailored to meet public participation needs will be scheduled. Meetings will be designed to explain the HCP/EIS process and to provide interested parties with the opportunity to respond to the conservation strategies, raise concerns, and make suggestions for improvement.

### **Utilizing Public Comments**

The HCP Planning Team will analyze all the input received and will utilize information collected in meetings, written comments, and personal communications in the development of the Draft HCP/EIS. The HCP Planning Team is not required to provide written responses to comment letters, but may follow-up on comments for clarity. Input received from the public comment period will be summarized on the project website.